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Redevelopment Board Minutes 05-20-2002

Minutes of May 20, 2002

Members present: Roland Chaput
Ed Tsoi
Nora Mann
John FitzMaurice

In addition: Alan McClennen, Jr., Secretary ex officio
Kevin O'Brien, Asst. Dir. of Planning & Community Dev.
David Walkinshaw, Symmes Advisory Committee

8:00 p.m. -- The Board convened in the former emergency room of the Symmes Hospital to meet with representatives of the Symmes Advisory Committee. The Board and Mr. Walkinshaw had a lengthy discussion about evaluating the firms for interview. Allen Reedy joined the meeting at 8:30 following a careful review of the nine proposals. Extensive discussions with the Redevelopment Board, the Board concluded that the four short listed firms would be Daylor Consulting, Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, The Cecil Group, and TerraSphere. There was further discussion about how the interviews would proceed, and it was agreed that Allen Reedy, David Walkinshaw, John FitzMaurice, and Ed Tsoi would be the interviewers. Mr. McClennen indicated that he would set up two rooms on the second floor of the hospital or in the Town Hall so that the consultants could set up and break down, and the Symmes Advisory Committee and Redevelopment Board and interviewers could move from one interview to another.

9:40 p.m. -- Director's Report:

Reed's Brook -- Mr. McClennen briefed the Board on the status of Reed's Brook.

36 Wright St. -- Mr. McClennen informed the Board that 36 Wright Street house would be moved on Thursday. The Board executed a Bill of Sale for the house transferring it to the Housing Corporation of Arlington.

The request for Planning Board notification concerning a proposed Chapter 91 pier on the lower Mystic Lake was reviewed at length. Motion: Moved by Mrs. Mann, seconded by Mr. FitzMaurice, that the application was received by the Planning Board; unanimous vote in favor.

10:20 p.m. -- Other business: There was a discussion about the next phase of work in which the Arlington Redevelopment might be involved in Arlington Center.

Mr. McClennen also described to the Board the review he was undertaking with the principal tenants at the Gibbs Junior High School in anticipation of an RFP next year.

10:455 -- Adjournment. Moved by Mrs. Mann, seconded by Mr. FitzMaurice that the Board adjourn; unanimous vote in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Alan McClennen, Jr.